

IN THE DRAWINGS

In Figure 10, please amend the label "DIGITAL STILL CAMERA (DSC)" to read as shown;

In Figure 83, please amend the label "TRANSPORT PACKET (MPEG2 TS)" to read as shown;

In Figure 84, please amend the label "DVR DRIVE" to read as shown;

In Figure 88, please amend the label "Bridge_Clip" to read as shown; and

In Figure 97, please amend the labels "SOURCE PACKET OF TS1" and "SOURCE PACKET OF TS2" to read as shown.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets (5)

REMARKS

In light of the above amendments and remarks to follow, reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-8, 10-12, and 14 are pending in this application. Claims 9 and 13 are canceled.

The drawings were objected to because of several typographical errors. Replacement drawing sheets are enclosed which correct such errors in Figures 10, 83, 84, 88, and 97 as indicated by the Examiner. Regarding the ClipInfo_Start_address referenced on page 54 and not shown in Figure 45. Paragraph 0295 has been amended to delete any reference to the ClipInfo_Start_address. Accordingly, Figure 45 does not require any changes. Applicants believe this objection has now been overcome.

Claim 9 was rejected as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claim 9 is canceled. Accordingly, this rejection is moot.

Claims 3 and 11-12 were rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 3 and 11-12 have been amended to address each of the Examiner's comments. Accordingly, Applicants believe this objection has now been overcome.

Claims 1 and 7-14 were rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Sakai et al. (Published U.S. application 2003/0012550). Claims 2 and 3 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sakai in view of Lenihan et al. (U.S. Patent 6,169,843). Claims 4-6 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a)

as being unpatentable over Sakai in view of Lenihan and Nakatani et al. (U.S. Patent 6,118,924).

The present invention is directed to achieving seamless playback of video; rather than editing of video. The present claims now recite "wherein said third AV stream maintains continuity to achieve a seamless playback." This objective is disclosed in paragraph [0009] of the specification. Whereas, Sakai is directed to making a transition (i.e. an additional cut) from the first video signal to the second video signal. (Abstract) Sakai is not concerned with seamless playback of video as required in the present claims. Accordingly, for at least this reason, Sakai, Lenihan, and Nakatani (alone or in combination) fails to meet all of the recited limitations, and the rejected claims should now be allowed.

As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he/she telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

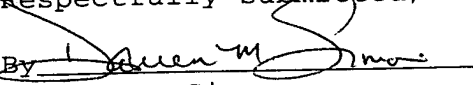
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If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095.

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